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MOVABLE EQUIPMENT ANCHORAGE

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CODE REFERENCE(S):

CBC Section 1613 and ASCE 7-10 Section 13.1.4

ISSUE(S):

ASCE 7-10 Section 13.1.4 indicates that movable equipment is exempt from support and attachment requirements. The code does not provide a clear definition for movable equipment. This policy is created to define what can be considered a movable equipment and also to outline the requirements for movable equipment that can qualify for the code exemption.

POLICY:

Movable equipment may be exempt from anchorage requirements if it meets all of the following:

- Mobility of the component shall be part of the component's intended function.
- Shall have wheels that are part of the component. The wheels must have a locking mechanism.
- Shall not be connected to utilities (Electric, gas, water, etc.).
- Shall have a height to center of mass (CM) to least plan dimension (W) ratio such that:
 - At ground floor: CM: $W \le 0.70$
 - O At upper floors: $CM:W \le 0.45$
- Shall not contain any hazardous materials or connections to hazardous materials.
- When not in use, shall be stored in a designated location with a restraining device that is adequately attached to the structure. The storage location shall be identified on plan and shall not encroach into the egress path.